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## **Board expedites process for rooftop solar systems**

SAN BERNARDINO-The Board of Supervisors will adopt a county ordinance that will provide an expedited, streamlined permitting process for small residential rooftop solar energy systems for single or duplex family dwellings.

Rooftop solar systems are among those eligible for building permit fee waiver under a program approved by the Board of Supervisors on June 22, 2010. The waiver program was established with the purpose of encouraging the installation and use of energy efficient systems.

To qualify for the expedited permit process, a roof top solar energy system must be no larger than 10 kilowatts alternating nameplate rating or 30 kilowatts thermal and the system must be installed on a single or duplex family dwelling.

Chairman James Ramos is pleased with the ordinance saying, "We are always looking for way to better serve our constituents. It was time for the County to take action in offering residents incentives for using energy saving alternatives."

The ordinance is scheduled for final adoption on Tuesday August 25, 2015.

More information on this item can be found in the August 11, 2015 Board agenda at <http://cob-sire.sbcounty.gov/sirepub/>.

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